

PATENT

Docket No. 979-064

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Mercier  
Serial No. : 10/817,144  
Filed : April 1, 2004  
For : FLUID METER, IN PARTICULAR A WATER METER...

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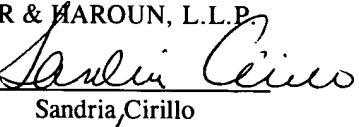
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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached Amendment, Amendment Transmittal, and Return Postcard along with any paper(s) referred to as being attached or enclosed and this Certificate of Mailing are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to the: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Respectfully submitted,

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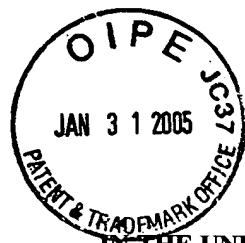
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**AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

|                                   | Claims<br>Remaining<br>After<br>Amendment   | Highest No.<br>Covered by<br>Previous<br>Payments | Present<br>Extra | Rate   | Additional<br>Fee |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|------------------|--------|-------------------|
| Total<br>Claims*                  | 7   | -   | 20               | =0     | x \$9.00          |
| Independent<br>Claims             | 1   | -   | 3                | =0     | x \$43.00         |
| Multiple<br>Dependent<br>Claim(s) | (If claims added by amendment include<br>Multiple Dependent Claim(s) and there<br>was no Multiple Dependent Claim(s) in<br>application before amendment add<br>\$260.00 to additional fee.) |   |                  |        | \$ _____          |
|                                   |   |   |                  | Total: | \$ _____          |
| <input type="checkbox"/>          | Verified Statement of "Small Entity" Status Under 37 CFR § 1.27<br>filed _____. Reduced Fees Under 37 CFR § 1.9(f)<br>(50% of total) paid herewith.   |   |                  |        | \$ _____          |

\* Includes all independent and single dependent claims and all claims referred to in multiple dependent claims. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(c).

Charge fee to Deposit Account No. 19-2825 . Order No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.19-2825. Order No. 979-064.  
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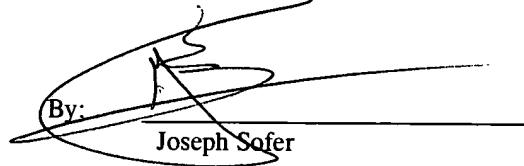
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Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.825(b) that the computer and paper copies of the substitute Sequence Listing are the same.

A check in the amount of \$359.00 to cover the filing fee is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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In re Application of

Examiner: Jewel Vergie Thompson

Mercier

Group Art Unit: 2855

Serial No.: 10/817,144

Filed: April 1, 2004

For: FLUID METER, IN PARTICULAR A WATER METER WITH  
A VOLUMETRIC MEASUREMENT CHAMBER

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**AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Non Fee Amendment**

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SIR:

In connection with the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks in response to the Office Action dated October 29, 2004:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.